

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE SENIOR ADVISORY COMMISSION
January 22, 2007

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Anne Creighton, Patrick Driscoll, Foster Lopes, Carolyn McAllister,
Edward Murphy

STAFF ABSENT: Doris Modesitt (excused), Cleo Stuckrath (excused)

STAFF PRESENT: Larry Wolfe, Director of Parks and Recreation
Becky Juntado, Senior Center Director
Jessica Carter, Senior Center Coordinator
Katy Carter, Case Manager
Marlene Goldman, Library Department
Jeff Pederson, Community Housing Services Manager

GUESTS: Helen Rezendes, Linda Kerner, Jean Salmon, Betty Em Myers, Jim Hall,
Carrol Genercux

MATTERS FOR COUNCIL ACTION – None.

- I. CALL TO ORDER – The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Carolyn McAllister.
- II. MINUTES OF THE November 27, 2006 MEETING – Approved as written.
- III. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATION – The Commission reviewed a letter from Ms. Helen Silveria in support of retaining the Holiday Tree Lighting name, copies of an email from Mr. Howard Myers requesting changing the name of the Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony to “Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony”, and three additional emails in support of the name change, and two additional emails recommending retaining the name of the ceremony.
- IV. REPORTS –
- A. California Senior Legislature – Foster Lopes – Reported that he has been appointed as a “Member at Large” by the C.S.L. to the C.O.A. Advisory Council. Commissioner Lopes reviewed recent C.S.L. Action and distributed a written report to the Commission.
 - B. Senior Center Assessment – Patrick Driscoll – Reported that the A.A.R.P. did not agree to work with him on the Senior Assessment. He also stated that he received suggestions from the Health Fund and is attempting to contact the Santa Clara County C.O.A. regarding the Senior Assessment.
 - C. Senior Center Needs/Expansion – The Director reported that the Senior Center rededication will be held on Monday, February 12, 2007 from 3:30 pm to 4:00 pm with an open house from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Regular Center programs begin February 13, 2007.
 - D. Transportation – No report.
 - E. Health and Wellness/Case Management – Anne Creighton – The nurses reported 11 home visits, 40 blood pressure readings, and 77 drop-in blood pressure readings. The Case Management program reported that 65 holiday meals to homebound seniors were distributed. There were 23 home visits and 422 O & R calls in December/January.

- F. Council on Aging – Edward Murphy – Distributed reports on C.O.A. meetings for December and January. Elder Abuse, Housing needs, and the White House Conference on Aging were highlights of the C.O.A. Advisory Council review.
- G. Nutrition – The Nutrition Program is averaging 36 meals per day with six new seniors in December. The program continues to be well received.
- H. Library – Marlene Goldman – Distributed information on upcoming library programs for seniors.

V. SUMMARY OF COUNCIL ACTIONS – The Commission reviewed City Council Actions pertaining to seniors.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Request to rename the “Holiday Tree Lighting” ceremony to “Christmas Tree Lighting” Ceremony.
Mr. Jim Hall reviewed the request submitted by Mr. Howard Myers to rename the Annual Tree Lighting to “Christmas” Tree Lighting Ceremony.
The Commission discussed the request and decided to postpone further discussion on the request to the February 25, 2007 Commission meeting.
- B. Upcoming Events
January 25 – Men’s League Fundraiser
February 1 – Senior Center Office closed
February 12 – Senior Center Rededication
February 21 – New passport application day
March 2-4 – Showtime
- C. CDBG Funding – Jeff Pederson gave the Commission an overview of the FY 2007/08. The first public hearing on the budget proposal is February 6, 2007. In addition, funds for the City subsidized Outreach and Escort budget will run out of funds in mid April with staff proposing to allocate extra CDBG funds to meet the increased transportation needs of seniors and the disabled.
The final CDBG FY 2007/08 budget will be reviewed by City Council on March 6, 2007.

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS – None.

VII. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting is February 26, 2007, at 10:00 a.m., Senior Center.

Prepared by: _____
LARRY WOLFE
Director of Parks and Recreation

ANNE CREIGHTON
Secretary